

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 936

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A RESOLUTION to honor and applaud Coach Jamie Jordan and the Hendersonville High School Golden Girls Dance Team upon recently winning the Universal Dance Association National Championship.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly is pleased to specially honor and commend those successful high school teams that, through their magnificent exploits, bring honor to the State of Tennessee and serve as exceptional ambassadors of this State; and

WHEREAS, the Hendersonville High School dance program is renowned for its perennial nature as a bastion of extraordinary athletic facility and competitive stature in the world of high school dance teams; and

WHEREAS, the Universal Dance Association (UDA) Competition is the largest and most prestigious dance team competition in the Nation, and at the most recent UDA Competition, the Hendersonville Golden Girls earned the Hip Hop Division National Championship; and

WHEREAS, performing the latest street style dance moves with remarkable energy, synchronization, body control, and rhythm, the Golden Girls presented an outstanding showcase of talent which will be featured throughout the year on ESPN; and

WHEREAS, before exhibiting a star performance at the UDA Competition, the Golden Girls competed in the National Championships held at the Opryland Hotel and were successful in winning four National Titles; and

WHEREAS, the Hendersonville High School Dance Team includes members Abby Sherrill, Meghan Mir, Sarah Myers, Erin Preston, Mary Kathryn Rogers, Katherine McLean, April Lindley, Ashley Herod, Lindsey Bliven, Rachel Kant, Bailey Driver, Julie Smith, Sarah Carlton,

Meredith Wetherill, Lisa Panknin, Kristen Mir, Kristin Singh, and Alyson Singh, all of whom contributed significantly to the team's success; and

WHEREAS, a Golden Girl alumna and a former member of the ten-time National Champion Dance Team at the University of Memphis, Coach Jamie Jordan has devoted several

remarkable years to the cultivation of the dance program at Hendersonville High School and laid the groundwork for this successful season by sharing with the young women on the team her substantial knowledge of dance, her many years of experience, and her passion both for dancing and for excellence in every endeavor; and

WHEREAS, a former captain of the Golden Girls and a current member of the University of Memphis dance team, Jessami Jacobson skillfully choreographed the award-winning hip-hop routine to incorporate team members' special talents; and

WHEREAS, the Golden Girls of Hendersonville High School epitomize all that is good in today's student athlete, as they have achieved a premier level of success in competition while showing the highest degree of character both on and off the dance floor; and

WHEREAS, in completing their triumphal run through the 2003-2004 season, they have inspired the student body and are an immense source of pride for the Hendersonville community; and

WHEREAS, the perseverance, determination, work ethic, and talent of this group of young women not only made possible a championship dance season, but also surely bode well for their success in every future enterprise; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud the Hendersonville High School Golden Girls for their outstanding performance in the UDA National Championship and for serving as examples of the exceptional quality of the youth of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we do hereby honor and applaud Coach Jamie Jordan and the Hendersonville High School Golden Girls on their exceptional legacy and their individual and collective resolve, in winning the UDA National Championship.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.